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## A487 New Dyfi Bridge

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A487 Dyfi Bridge (NGR SH 7485301989)	A487 Dyfi Bridge (NGR SH 7485301989)	Project Name and Grid Reference
Scheme elements with potential for WFD impacts: Excavation and plant trafficking that mobilises silt;	Scheme elements with potential for WFD impacts: Piling with the potential to open new pollution pathways; Routine discharge of highway drainage to the River Dyfi and smaller ditches; Discharges following serious pollution incidents.	Project Design
N/A	N/A	Potential WFD Enhancements
GB51100 6407000	GB41002 G203200	Water Body ID
Dyfi & Leri: Western Wales River Basin District  Transitional water body  Not a A/HMWB	Meirionnydd: Western Wales River Basin District	Name of Water Body and River Basin District
Current: Moderate  Objectives: Ecological: Good by 2021 Chemical: Good by	Current: Poor  Objectives: Overall: Poor by 2021 Chemical: Poor by 2021 (technically infeasible)	Current Overall Status & Objectives
Current Ecological Status: Good	Current Quantitative Status: Good	Biological Elements
Current Chemical Status: Failing to achieve Good Key reasons for failure: Metal mine pollution; Ubiquitous	Current Chemical Status: Poor	Chemical Quality Elements
	N/A	Hydro- morphologic al Elements
Regulation and improvement of point sources discharges which have an impact on Shellfish Water Protected Areas	Mine water and contaminated land remediation	WFD Mitigation Measures for Water Body
Effect on WFD Objective to Achieve GES The water body falls within a number of protected sites (Dyfi SSSI, Pen Llyn a'r Sarnau / Lleyn Peninsula and the Sarnau SAC, Dyfi Estuary / Aber Dyfi SPA and Cors Forchno and Dyfi Ramsar site. The closest of these sites is located approximately 5km from the proposed river crossing.  The significance of operational impacts (i.e. routine discharges and risk of serious pollution incidents)	Effect on WFD Objective to Achieve Good Status The assessment carried out to inform the Environmental Statement found the significance of temporary and operational effects of the Scheme on groundwater to be slight adverse to neutral. The risk of pollution is considered low.  A Construction Environmental Management Plan would be implemented to manage pollution risks. The CEMP would incorporate best practice as set out in the Environment Agency's Pollution Prevention Guidance (PPGs). A Surface Water Management Plan would also be developed as part of the CEMP. No further mitigation is proposed.  It is concluded that with the above mitigation in place, the Scheme would not adversely affect the current status of the water body or prevent it from achieving Good status in the future.	Assessment (Conclusions and mitigation measures shown in bold text)

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Scheme with potential for WFD impacts: Piling, excavation and pile cap construction for bridge abutments, especially excavation of			following serious pollution incidents.	Routine discharge of highway drainage to the River Dyfi and smaller ditches;
Use of bioengineering to stabilise riverbanks beyond the limits required to mitigate adverse geomorphologic al impacts of the scheme (i.e. upstream of the Millennium bridge and				
GB11006 4048390				
Dyfi – tidal limit to Afon Twymyn: Western Wales River Basin District Not a A/HMWB				
Current: Moderate  Objectives: Ecological: Good by 2021 Chemical: Failing to achieve Good by 2021				2021 (default)
Current Ecological Status: Good Ecological Elements: Invertebrates: High Fish: Not provided				
Current Chemical Status: Failing to achieve Good  Key reasons for failure:  Metal mine pollution; Ubiquitous and/or persistent chemicals				and/or persistent chemicals
Hydrological regime: High Morphology: Supports Good				
Mine water and contaminated land remediation				
Effect on WFD Objective to Achieve GES  Temporary impacts during construction phase In addition to the above measures, the following mitigation would be adopted to protect the river environment in the short term:  • Avoid working in the channel before and during the spawning season;  Time vegetation control measures to be sensitive to the habitat needs of the species present;  • Retain vegetation where possible;  • Fully re-instate the gravel bar with its coarse surface layer at the earliest	It is concluded that construction and operation of the Scheme would not adversely affect the current status of the various WFD elements or prevent this or any other water body from reaching GES provided the above mitigation measures are implemented.  No further assessment is required.	<ul> <li>Minimise vegetation removal and avoid disturbing the natural bank below the excavation limits for constructing the northern abutment;</li> <li>Use biodegradable erosion control measures to prevent soil erosion from newly cut or filled surfaces prior to the establishment of good vegetative cover; and</li> <li>Phase work to ensure erosion control measures are in place prior to inundation of low-lying areas.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Minimise/avoid in-river working;</li> <li>Minimise and protect excavations;</li> <li>Control plant trafficking routes to keep plant away from river banks;</li> <li>Re-instate coarse surface layer on bar following construction of the pile cap at the southern abutment;</li> </ul>	was found to be neutral. No mitigation measures are proposed for the operational phase.  The risk of temporary impacts on water quality associated with sediment/silt and spills would be managed through implementation of the CEMP as described above.  Furthermore, the following measures would be adopted:

place, it is concluded that neither construction nor operation of the Scheme would adversely affect the current status of the various WFD elements or					
necessary.  Providing the above mitigation measures are in					
of bank erosion, utilising bioengineering methods of erosion protection where					
<ul> <li>Design the new ditch outfall downstream of the Pont-ar-Ddyfi to minimise the risk</li> </ul>					
control performance;				incidents.	
establishment and continued erosion				pollution	
Monitor planted areas to ensure				serious	
Avoid the use of hard revetment:				following	
immediate protection and aid in rapid				Discharges	
alternative to seeding in order to provide				ditches:	
coir matting should be considered as an				Dyfi and	
the southern abutment. Pre-established				the River	
Similar measures would be used around				drainage to	
Use bioengineering methods to protect the				highway	
functioning of the gravel bar;				discharge of	
(6.576mAOD) to enable continued				Douting	
abutment below normal flow level				Dyfi:	
Bury the pile cap for the southern				ditch outfall	
appropriate woody species:				New drainage	
where tree removal is required;				floodplain;	
northern bank, leaving stumps in place				and	
<ul> <li>Minimise vegetation removal on the</li> </ul>				riverbanks	
mitigate these risks:				and piers located on the	
The fellowing magazines would be implement				abutments	
with bank erosion, bank failure or scouring that could lead to the instalment of hard revetment.				New	
Significant remaining risks are longer term issues	High			trafficking;	
found to be neutral.	Temperature:			Plant	
discharges and risk of serious pollution incidents was	Good			channel;	
The significance of operational impacts from routine	Phosphate:		scheme.	relief	
Permanent effects during operational phase	pH: High		resilience of the	for the flood	
or on the river banks.	Oxygen: High		contribute to	Everytion	
supervise work taking place in the channel	Dissolved		path and	floodplain:	
Engage a qualified geomorphologist to	BOD: High		protect cycle	Earthworks	
bar outside the limits of the excavation;	High		ennance	abutment;	
Exclude plant from the area of the gravel	Ammonia:		Dfyi. Would	southern	
southern pile cap;	chemical:	infeasible)	near Pont-ar-	at the	
opportunity rollowing construction of the	 Physico-	(technically	downstream	the gravet bar	